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SUBJ: EC RESTRICTIONS ON IMPORTS FROM JAPAN: BENELUX ACTION
ON ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

REF: MEIMA/ ADAMS TELECON

1. MISSION OFFICER ASKED COMMISSION OFFICIAL B. MEYNELL HOW
THE EC WAS HANDLING THE BENELUX RESTRAINTS ON IMPORTS OF
JAPANESE ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT AND WHAT HAD BEEN THE COMMISSION
REACTION.

2. MEYNELL RESPONDED THAT THOUGH THE EC REGULATION CALLS FOR
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PRIOR CONSULTATION IN SUCH A SITUATION, THE BENELUX NOTIFIED THE EC ABOUT THEIR ACTION ON THE SAME DAY THAT THE NEWS APPEARED IN THE NEWSPAPER. THE EC COMMISSION NOW EXPECTS TO ENTER INTO CONSULTATIONS WITH THE MEMBER STATES SHORTLY.

3. THE ACTION HAS EVIDENTLY CAUSED SOME INTERNAL EC DIFFICULTIES, SINCE IT COULD LEAD TO TRANSSHIPMENT OF EQUIPMENT INTO THE BENELUX BY WAY OF OTHER MEMBER STATES. SHOULD THAT HAPPEN AND SHOULD THE BENELUX THEN TRY TO RESTRAIN THE TRADE, THIS COULD COME INTO CONFLICT WITH THE EC GOAL OF UNFETTERED TRADE AMONG MEMBERS. MEYNELL STATED THAT THE CURRENT SITUATION WAS " QUOTE CAUSING SOME SQUIRM

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